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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:)	
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POWERS <i>et al.</i>)	
)	Group Art Unit: 1654
Application No. 10/671,360)	
)	Examiner: Bradley, Christina
Filed: September 25, 2003)	
)	Confirmation No. 7114
For: KETOAMIDE INHIBITORS IN)	
CHRONIC NERVE DISEASE)	

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

Filed concurrently herewith is a Revocation of Power Attorney/Appointment of New Power of Attorney document, which names the undersigned as new counsel in the above-identified application.

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 8, 2007, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the Remarks that follow. This Response is being accompanied by a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") and the associated fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

In the Final Office Action, the Examiner set a three month period in which to reply, *i.e.*, by June 8, 2007. A Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time and a Notice of Appeal were timely filed on September 6, 2007. As such, enclosed herewith is a Request for a Three-Month Extension of Time and the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), which extends the period in which to reply to February 6, 2008. Accordingly, the present Amendment and Response to Final Office Action and RCE are timely.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 5 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.